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For: LIPOSOMAL CERAMIDE-RELATED COMPOUNDS AND THE THERAPEUTIC USE THEREOF	) ) ) )							

## AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Enclosed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.

- [X] A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.
- [ ] A Terminal Disclaimer and a check for [ ] \$55.00 (248) [ ] \$110.00 (148) to cover the requisite Government fee are also enclosed.
- [X] Also enclosed is <u>PTO1449</u>, <u>Information Disclosure Statement & Revocation and New Power of Attorney by Assignee of Entire Interest</u>
- [ ] Small entity status is hereby claimed.
- [ ] Applicant(s) request continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the [ ] \$355.00 (279) [ ] \$710.00 (179) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).
  - [ ] Applicant(s) previously submitted \_\_\_, on \_\_\_, for which continued examination is requested.
- [ ] Applicant(s) request suspension of action by the Office until at least \_, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.
- [ ] A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (146/246) is also enclosed.

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- [ ] No additional claim fee is required.
- [X] An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:

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Independent Claims	2	MINUS 3 =	0	× \$80.00 (102) =	0		
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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## THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of Yong WEI et al Application No.: 09/429,694 Filed: October 27, 1999 For: LIPOSOMAL CERAMIDE-RELATED COMPOUNDS AND THE THERAPEUTIC USE THEREOF

**AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION** 

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 20, 2001, the due date for which has been extended with a Petition for Extension of Time attached, applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the Office Action in view of the amendments below:

## **IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend claims 1 and 16 as shown below.

1. (Amended Twice)

A liposome having a bilayer comprising a lipid

component which comprises a compound having the formula

 $R^1-Y^1-CHZ^1-CH(NY^2Y^3)-CH_2-Z^2$ , wherein:

R<sup>1</sup> is a straight-chained alkyl, alkenyl or alkynyl group having from 5 to 19 carbon atoms in the aliphatic chain;